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PROSTITUTION OF OFFICES FOR SEC. TAFT

C. L. Kurtz, Once Powerful in Ohio Politics, Expresses His Opinion of Affairs in Buckeye State.

"President Roosevelt and Secretary Taft have prostituted their offices for the purpose of securing Ohio endorsement of Taft for president in such a manner as has never before been done in the history of this country." This was the sentiment expressed by C. L. Kurtz, for many years a member of the Ohio legislature, and now is one of the most influential men politically and otherwise in private life in the state of Ohio. Mr. Kurtz, who is at Albuquerque for a short stay, was severe in his criticism of President Roosevelt, says the Journal.

"He is a paradox," said Mr. Kurtz. "It is difficult to understand him. He is one of the most successful men I have ever met and at the same time one of the most sincere men with whom I have ever come in contact. He is as honest as other men; has a remarkably strong will, great energy, and a superabundance of animal spirit in his make-up. It is the very essence of his nature to dominate everything and everybody with whom he has any dealing. He must reign supreme or there is no reigning. He has a cabinet composed of men whom he dominates to the utmost. His slightest wish or intimation to them is a command. They fear to go beyond his will, and his suggestion to them. They will not come right out and stand up for what they think. Mr. Roosevelt, I think, is very much of the opinion that if any member of his cabinet comes out too prominently in the limelight, that it imperils the chances that his name will go down in history as one of the greatest presidents who ever occupied the white house. A cabinet member detracts from a president any extraordinary glory. Take one of the greatest men who ever occupied the executive chair; a man whose name will go down in history as one of the greatest, but who was always ready to receive and act favorably on suggestions made to him on matters, which he knew were better known and understood by them than by himself. But this trait of permitting his cabinet to have a share in the management of the affairs of the nation, never detracted a single iota from Mr. Lincoln's greatness. He is the central figure of his time and will remain so to the end. The great men of his cabinet, Seward, Chase, Stanton, and others, have passed on into history, but to Mr. Lincoln is given the greatest credit of his time. Secretary Taft is well deserved. The same thing might apply to Mr. Roosevelt. If he had chosen a policy of conciliation with his cabinet; if he had gathered around him men who were capable and responsible; who had ideas and thoughts of their own and who would not be fearful to express their sentiments boldly—I think the workings of the government would be on a safer and surer basis today. And at the same time it would be Mr. Roosevelt who would get all the credit now and in the future—for the accomplishment of any good that might result from his administration."

Defends Senator Foraker.
"In my own state of Ohio, Mr. Roosevelt put himself out of the way to have the state convention endorse Taft for the presidency. He used his influence to secure a two-thirds majority in the convention which was favorable to Taft. In this he crowded out a man, who, in my estimation, is one of the best public men in the country today—Mr. Foraker. Mr. Foraker incurred the displeasure of the president on account of the firm stand he took and retained throughout the Brownsville controversy. Subsequent developments have proved that Foraker was correct in the stand he took. I know, and everyone else knows, that under the constitution of the United States, a fair and impartial trial is the privilege of every citizen. The Brownsville troopers were not given a fair trial at all. The incident is too fresh in the mind of the people to be brought up in connection with this affair. It is sufficient to say, that because Foraker had the backbone to stand up for justice and principle, the president attempted to ostracize him. You may kill Foraker politically but you can't take his brains. Foraker is a rare combination of a man. He is a lawyer who has few superiors in the country; he is an orator and he is an executive. Foraker's message to his friends before the Ohio state convention was 'don't go to the convention for my personal interests. Go to the convention, but not on my special account. If the convention endorses me, all right; if they endorse Taft, I will support him.'"

"Foraker's term as United States senator expires next fall and he does not care whether he returns to the senate or not. If it is the desire of the people that he represent them in congress, all right; and if they don't want him, all right. He is getting on in years and he cannot afford to be independent. And the best thing about Foraker is that he stands under his own hat. All this talk about Foraker working for the interest of one railroad is nonsensical. Foraker is broad-minded enough to recognize the fact that a broad policy is necessary in some things. It will not be policies advocated by Foraker will be in force in the country." Very many years before some of the

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ORDINANCE NO. 129.

An Ordinance Creating and Maintaining the Fire Department of the City of Bisbee, Arizona, and Regulating the Duties of Officers and Members Thereof.

Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Bisbee:
Section 1. The officers of the fire department of this city shall be: a chief, a secretary and treasurer, a board of directors, one or more assistant chiefs, one or more assistant secretaries and treasurers, and one or more assistants to the chief, secretary and treasurer, subject to confirmation by the city council.

Section 2. The officers of the various fire companies shall be one foreman or captain, one assistant foreman or assistant captain, and one or more other officers as they may choose to elect; all of whom shall be elected by their respective companies.

Section 3. There shall be a board of fire directors, which shall be composed of the following persons: All department officers, the foreman and assistant foreman of each company, and three members of each company, to be elected by their respective companies.

Section 4. The said board of fire directors shall supervise and control the fire department, its officers, members and employees, subject to the laws governing the same. They shall see that the officers, members and employees thereof faithfully discharge their duties; that the laws, orders and regulations relating thereto are carried into effect and operation; they shall supervise all contracts awarded and work done for the said fire department, and shall see that all contracts and work done shall be faithfully performed. The said board of fire directors shall have the right to prescribe the duties of the officers, members and employees of said fire department (except as herein provided), to adopt rules and regulations for the management and discipline thereof, and the chief of department shall be secretary of said board and certify to the correctness of all claims and demands before the same shall be paid.

Section 5. The board of directors shall hold a regular business meeting on the last Thursday of each month. The meeting held on the last Thursday of March, July, September and December shall be department meetings at which all members of the department shall have the right to be heard and to vote on any question that may arise for consideration. The regular election of officers of the department shall be held on the last Thursday of December, each year.

Section 6. The city council shall have the power to contract for any apparatus, buildings and supplies and shall provide and furnish a suitable room in the City Hall to serve as an office, and for all meetings of said fire department.

Section 7. All members shall perform such duties as may be prescribed from time to time by the said board of fire directors and ordered to be executed by the chief of the fire department.

Section 8. The fire department of this city shall consist of such hose companies and hook and ladder companies and steamer companies, as shall be recommended by the board of fire directors and determined by the city council necessary to afford protection against fire. The companies of said department shall be organized so as to number not more than twenty-five persons to each company.

Section 9. The chief of department shall be the executive officer of said fire department. It shall be his duty and that of his assistant, to see that the laws, orders, rules and regulations concerning the same are carried into effect. It shall also be the duty of the chief to enforce the rules and regulations made from time to time to secure discipline in the fire department. He shall have power to suspend any subordinate officer, member or employee for a violation of the same, subject to the approval and ratification of the board of directors, and shall forthwith report in writing with his reasons therefor, to the board of directors, for their action. He shall diligently observe the condition of the apparatus and workings of said departments, and shall report in writing monthly to the said board of directors upon the same, and make recommendations and suggestions respecting it for securing greater efficiency, and in the absence of the chief, the first assistant shall assume the duties of said office of chief of department.

Section 10. The mayor of the city upon recommendation of the board of fire directors, with the approval of the city council, is authorized to sell, at public or private sale, from time to time, hose carriages, hose, apparatus, wheels in their judgment, demanded by the public good, or any other property which may not be required for the use of the department, and to execute, acknowledge and deliver good and sufficient bills of sale for the time, same paying the proceeds of such sales into the city's treasury to the credit of the proper fund.

Section 11. Whenever a member of the fire department of this city shall become disabled by reason of injuries received at a fire so as to be unable to gain a livelihood, the fire directors may allow the said disabled man a sum not exceeding \$25 per month until such time as they may declare him relieved from such benefits payable out of the "general fund," and any person accepting benefits under this ordinance waives all claim against the city for damages. Provided, however, that the city council shall be immediately notified of the action of the said fire directors in making such allowance, and the city council may at any time discontinue such allowance should the said city see fit to do so.

Section 12. A person, to be eligible as a member of the fire department, must be twenty-one (21) years of age and come recommended in accordance with the constitution of the respective company to which he seeks admission; provided a person so years of age, with the written consent of his guardian or parents, may be eligible.

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company. No member so dismissed shall be received into any other company for one year.

Section 14. No officer, member or employee of the fire department shall be dismissed, unless from cause until after a trial by the board of directors. The accused shall be furnished with a written copy of the charges against him, at least five days previous to the day of trial. He shall have an opportunity to examine witnesses in his behalf. All witnesses shall be examined under oath and all trials shall be public.

Section 15. There shall be maintained and provided for by the city council, in this city, a fire alarm, under such rules and regulations as the board of directors shall prescribe.

Section 16. It shall be the duty of the chief of department and his assistant whenever a fire breaks out in the city, to immediately repair to the place of such fire and take proper measures for placing the apparatus in the most advantageous position. The assistant and the foreman of each respective company, on arrival at a fire, shall immediately report to the chief; provided that in the absence of the chief or assistant chief of department at a fire, the first foreman to arrive at a fire shall be the person in command.

Section 17. When the chief shall arrive at a fire he shall have sole command over all other officers, all members of the department, and all other persons who may be present at fires. He shall take all proper measures for extinguishing the fires and protection of property, the preservation of order, observance of the laws of the territory and ordinances of the city and regulations of the board of fire directors respecting fires. And it shall be the duty of the said chief to examine into the condition of all fire apparatus and all fire hydrants, and the companies attached and hydrants, and report to the city in writing.

Section 18. Neither the city council nor any individual of said council, nor board of fire directors, nor any individual thereof, nor the chief of department, nor first assistant, nor any member whatever of the fire department, shall in anywise be held responsible for the damaging of property or the destruction thereof that may occur in the attempt of the department to extinguish any fires.

Section 19. Each company shall have the power to appoint three or more members to act as fire police, and to have power at any fire, parade, funeral, ball or any public appearance of the fire department, to act as our city police, but at no other time shall they have such power. They shall be confirmed by the city council.

Section 20. Each of said companies, respectively, may adopt such a constitution, bylaws and regulations for their government, subordinate to the ordinances of the city, as they may deem best.

Section 21. It shall be the duty of the police in time of fire to place ropes or guards across all streets, lanes and alleys on which shall be situated any building on fire, and at such other points as they may deem expedient and necessary, and they shall prevent any and all persons, except owners and occupants, and employees of buildings endangered by existing fire, and fire insurance agents, from entering within the line designated by ropes and guards save and except the officers of the fire department and firemen who shall be known by their badge, or such other persons as may have permission of

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the officers of the fire department.
Section 22. All movable apparatus of the fire department shall have no paramount right of way through all the streets, lanes, alleys, places and courts of the city, when running to a fire, and such apparatus, together with all other vehicles contiguous thereto, excepting street cars, shall keep the right hand side of the street, unless the same be obstructed; and all street cars in the vicinity of any such apparatus going to a fire, shall retard or accelerate their speed as occasion may require, in order to give the apparatus of the fire department the unobstructed use of the street for the time being.

Section 23. The city council shall appropriate annually a sufficient portion of the tax levy for municipal expenses to equip and maintain the fire department, the same to be subject to monthly warrants in favor of the treasurer of the fire department on a resolution of the board of directors of said department.

Section 24. All officers mentioned herein to be confirmed by the city council are hereby declared to be city officers and shall take the oath of office required by other city officers. The treasurer of the fire department shall give bond in the sum of one thousand dollars, payable to the city of Bisbee, and conditioned as required by the law.

Section 25. All paid employees of the department shall be under the control of the chief of department, who may suspend any employee who may suspend any employee shall have the right of trial by the board of directors, who may terminate or prolong the suspension or discharge of the accused, and whose action shall be final; provided, it shall require the vote of two-thirds of the members present to render a verdict of guilty. All paid employees of the department, said room and board and constantly remain in one and a half blocks of their headquarters, unless they have permission of the chief to be absent for a specified time.

Section 26. All vacancies of officers, except chief, who shall be elected to fill unexpired term by the entire department.

Section 27. All ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance shall be and are hereby repealed and this ordinance shall take effect and be enforced from and after this passage.

Approved the 15th day of April, 1908.
C. L. CAVEN, Mayor.
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